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for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification, and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978, (STCW), and the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, (MARPOL), respectively.

(b) *Standard Measurement System (subpart C)*. This system applies to a vessel not required to be measured under the Convention Measurement System if the vessel is to be documented or if the application of a law of the United States to the vessel depends on the vessel's tonnage. Upon request of the owner, this system also applies to a documented vessel measured under the Convention Measurement System when Standard Measurement System tonnages are to be used in applying the provisions of a law under 46 U.S.C. 14305.

(c) *Dual Measurement System (subpart D)*. This system may be applied, at the owner's option, instead of the Standard Measurement System, to a vessel eligible or required to be measured under the Standard Measurement System.

(d) *Simplified Measurement System (subpart E)*. This system may be applied, at the owner's option, instead of the Standard Measurement System to the following vessels:

(1) A vessel that is under 79 feet in overall length.

(2) A vessel of any length that is non-self-propelled and not engaged on a foreign voyage.

(3) A vessel of any length that is operated only for pleasure and operated only on the Great Lakes.

[CGD 87-015b, 54 FR 37657, Sept. 12, 1989, as amended by CGD 92-058, 57 FR 59938, Dec. 17, 1992; CGD 95-028, 62 FR 51203, Sept. 30, 1997]

EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: By CGD 95-028, 62 FR 51203, Sept. 30, 1997, § 69.11 was amended by removing paragraph (a)(2)(iv); by redesignating paragraphs (a)(2)(v) and (a)(2)(vi) as paragraphs (a)(2)(iv) and (a)(2)(v), respectively; and by removing "After July 18, 1994," and capitalizing the word "A" in paragraph (a)(5), effective Oct. 30, 1997. For the convenience of the user, the superseded text is set forth as follows:

§ 69.11 Determining the measurement system or systems for a particular vessel.

- (a) * * *
- (2) * * *

(iv) Before July 19, 1994, a vessel the keel of which was laid or that was at a similar stage of construction before July 18, 1982, unless the owner requests or unless, on or after July 18, 1982, the vessel undergoes a change that the Commandant finds substantially affects the vessel's gross tonnage.

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§ 69.13 Deviating from the provisions of a measurement system.

(a) In measuring a vessel under a measurement system in this part, all provisions of that system applicable to the vessel must be observed.

(b) The provisions of more than one measurement system may not be applied interchangeably or combined.

§ 69.15 Authorized measurement organizations.

(a) Except as under paragraphs (c) and (d) of this section, all U.S. vessels to be measured or remeasured under the Convention, Standard, or Dual Measurement Systems must be measured by an authorized measurement organization meeting the requirements of § 69.27. A current listing of authorized measurement organizations can be obtained from Commanding Officer, U.S. Coast Guard Marine Safety Center (MSC-3), 400 7th Street S.W., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

(b) All vessels to be measured or remeasured under the Simplified Measurement System must be measured by the Coast Guard. Applications for measurement under the Simplified Measurement System are obtainable from the National Vessel Documentation Center.

(c) All U.S. Coast Guard vessels and all U.S. Navy vessels of war to be measured or remeasured under any measurement system must be measured by the Coast Guard.

(d) At the option of the Commandant, the Coast Guard may measure any vessel to determine its tonnage.

(e) The appropriate certificate of measurement is issued by the measuring organization as evidence of the vessel's measurement under this part.

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